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FOR: NOVEL POLYPEPTIDES HOMOLOGOUS TO THYMOSIN, EPHRIN A
RECEPTORS, AND FIBROMODULIN, AND POLYNUCLEOTIDES
ENCODING SAME

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This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2003 in the above-referenced application. With no extension of time, these documents are due on September 12, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-585CIP2 (Cura-85CIP2).

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

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